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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Executive Assistant to the DCI

SUBJECT:

U. S. Intelligence

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1. Yesterday at the opening of the 62nd meeting of the Watch Committee, [REDACTED] who was in the Chair offered his considered observation that the United States has become the intelligence mainstay of the West. This, he felt, is understandable because of the infinitely larger resources which are at the disposal of U. S. intelligence. He emphasized the dependence of the Western nations upon our intelligence activities and the responsibility which this imposes on us.

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2. [REDACTED] has just returned from two weeks of intelligence conferences at SHAPE. His observation was based upon the relative contributions which the U. S. and others made to the discussions. In my opinion, [REDACTED] is a well-balanced and shrewd observer who in this instance, by virtue of intensive contact with the working level intelligence representatives of the Western powers, is well qualified to make this observation.

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